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Ms. Linda Jackson,

I have been closely following Perpetua Resources' plans for several years. The Stibnite Gold Project presents an opportunity to restore an abandoned mine site and provide our nation with the critical minerals we need. I am grateful for the opportunity to comment on their SDEIS.

The Stibnite Gold Project presents a plan to repair the environment and boost Idaho's economy, especially when using the 2021 Modified Mine Plan. Historic mining operations, development of former town site and natural processes have resulted in significant degradation of many elements of the environment. Loss of fish passage, potential water degradation from previous mining activity and excessive erosion are all of great concern to Idahoans. Right now, fish haven't swam past an abandoned mine pit for more than 80 years. Perpetua will reconnect fish passage before mining ever begins. The company will also improve water quality and temperature to further help fish. More improvements were made to these areas after the DEIS was released. Now, Perpetua Resources has identified ways to keep water temperature at or below baseline conditions. The Stibnite Gold Project would finance reclamation efforts to address these problems, boost Idaho's economy and help secure a critical mineral America needs. It is a win-win for everyone.

After reading my letter, I hope you can see why you should permit the Stibnite Gold Project. This project is a good thing for Idaho, helps decrease America's dependence on foreign countries for a critical mineral and cleans up the environment. I cannot wait to take my grandchildren up to Stibnite and fish in the reestablished river where the Yellow Pine pit is today. The company also continued to refine its plan in response to the permitting process, so it has the smallest footprint possible and results in improved water quality conditions on site.

Thank you,

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